

**AN ORDINANCE
BY TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE**

06-0 -1654

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO INSTALL TRAFFIC SIGNALS ON PEACHTREE STREET AT WALTON STREET, POPLAR STREET AND WALL STREET; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta's ("City") City Center Livable Centers Initiative (LCI) plan initially identified the need for improvements to the existing non-signalized pedestrian crossings along Peachtree Street at Walton Street, Poplar Street and Wall Street; and

WHEREAS, activity related to the revitalization of the Fairlie-Poplar Historic District including new restaurants, residences and Georgia State University facilities and classrooms, has caused an increase in the volume of pedestrians crossing Peachtree Street at Walton Street and Poplar Street; and

WHEREAS, high pedestrian volume crossing the Peachtree Street and Wall Street intersection makes it necessary for implementation of traffic control measure(s) at the intersection; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to provide safe and convenient crossings for pedestrians across Peachtree Street; and

WHEREAS, the increase in pedestrian volumes currently not regulated by traffic control devices combined with the high volume of vehicular traffic causes congestion along Peachtree Street throughout the entire Five Points intersection; and

WHEREAS, the existing crosswalk locations at Walton Street, Poplar Street and Wall Street meet signal warrants; and

WHEREAS, the traffic signal design includes high-visibility crosswalk striping and ADA-compliant sidewalk ramps; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Public Works recommends the installation of traffic signals on Peachtree Street at Walton Street, Poplar Street and Wall Street; and

WHEREAS, funding for the traffic signals has been programmed and allocated from the Atlanta Regional Commission's LCI implementation grant program with additional support from the Atlanta Downtown Improvement District for the traffic signals on Peachtree Street at Walton Street and Poplar Street; and

WHEREAS, the Georgia Department of Transportation has agreed to fund the traffic signal at the intersection of Peachtree Street and Wall Street in conjunction with the Peachtree Street bridge replacement project.

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GEORGIA, HEREBY ORDAINS:

SECTION 1: That a traffic signal will be installed at the intersection of Peachtree Street and Walton Street.

SECTION 2: That a traffic signal will be installed at the intersection of Peachtree Street and Poplar Street.

SECTION 3: That a traffic signal will be installed at the intersection of Peachtree Street and Wall Street.

SECTION 4: That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict are waived.

TRANSMITTAL FORM FOR LEGISLATION

TO: MAYOR'S OFFICE

ATTN: GREG PRIDGEON

Legislative Counsel (Signature): Megan S. Middleton

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Contact Number: 6207

Originating Department: Public Works

Committee(s) of Purview: Transportation

Council Deadline: July 31, 2006

Committee Meeting Date(s): August 16, 2006 Full Council Date: Aug. 21, 2006

Commissioner Signature

[Signature]

CAPTION

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FINANCIAL IMPACT (if any) \$0.00

Mayor's Staff Only

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7-28-06
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Reviewed by:

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Submitted to Council:

7/31/06
(date)